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SU ECT: FAREWELL CALL BY AMBASSADOR BOUTALEB ON UNDER SECRETARY HABIB, APRIL 19

REF: STATE 86333

1. IN BRIEF CALL ON HABIB, BOUTALEB REVIEWED HIS MEETING WITH SECRETARY VANCE (REFTEL), AND HABIB REPORTED ON HIS CONVERSATIONSWITH HASSAN DURING VISIT LAST WEEK TO MARRAKECH.FOLLOWING ARE OTHER HIGHLIGHTS OF DISCUSSION.

2.ZAIRE: BOUTALEB SAID GOM RELUCTANTLY ACCEPTED OUTCOME OF CIVIL WAR IN ANGOLA BECAUSE OTHERS HAD NOT BEEN WILLING OR ABLE TO ACT, BUT COULD NOT REMAIN PASSIVE WHEN TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF ANOTHER AFRICAN STATE WAS THREATENED. HABIB NOTED THAT U.S. HAD MADE EFFORT IN ANGOLA, BUT FUNDS HAD BEEN CUT. BOUTALEB EXPRESSED HOPE THAT WEST
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WOULD NOT BE FOUND WITH ITS HANDS TIED IN FUTURE IN LOCAL CONFLICTS AROUND GLOBE.

3. MIDDLE EAST: BOUTALEB EXPRESSED HIS CONVICTION THAT KING HASSAN COULD BE HELPFUL TO U.S. IN MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATIONS, AND THAT KING WOULD CARRY OUTANY ROLE ASSIGNED TO HIM WITH DISCRETION.

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4. ROYAL VISIT: ON ROYAL VISIT TO WASHINGTON, HABIB SAID WE HOPED VISIT COULD BE ARRANGED FOR "MOST EFFECTIVE" TIME BEFORE THE END OF THIS YEAR. WE WOULD EXPECT TO GET IN CONTACT WITH PALACE TO WORK OUT ARRANGEMENTS LATER THIS YEAR.
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